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## Southwestern is first to meet quota for student debt survey

By JON OWENS  
News Editor

Southwestern was the first among 27 state universities in Oklahoma to meet its quota on the Student Debt survey.

Southwestern had 504 students who participated. However, only needed 425 to meet the goal.

"It is really wonderful to

see how many students participated," said Dr. Paulette Woods, Dean of Students. I think it shows a lot about our school and students since we were leading with number of students taking the survey from the beginning."

According to Dr. Woods, the results of the survey will

be analyzed by the Oklahoma Center for Student Research, a graduate program at the University of Oklahoma.

The results are to determine if credit card use is becoming a problem for students.

"Sometimes students put their tuition on a credit

card. It is my belief that there is a small number who will do this in order to avoid taking out student loans," said Woods.

Southwestern has it mandated through student resolution and policy to not allow credit card vendors on campus. The only credit card offered through

Southwestern is sent through mail on behalf of the alumni association.

"We get a stipend from the credit card company that is used for scholarships. Students always have the right to throw them away," Woods said. "If you use a credit card responsibly you are

not likely to get into trouble."

Many college students across Oklahoma qualify for student loans, but may not qualify for grants. This leads administrative officials to believe it can cause students to think they

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## 8 seconds to fame

Student proves success can be MADE

By MCKENZIE MOL  
Staff Reporter

He rides bulls. He is a college graduate. Cosmo calls him a hunk. Now Lee Akin is an MTV star.

The Weatherford resident and 2002 Southwestern graduate premiered on MTV's reality show, "Made", recently.

The MTV hit focuses on a young man who wants to be a bull rider. In the program, 20-year old Isaac Jones, went from a bull-riding wannabe to learning the trade of bull riding with the help of Akin and other professional bull riders.

"The unbelievable thing was that I had met Isaac at a rodeo a few years ago in his hometown of Moses Lake. He had told me that he was interested in being a bull rider, but I never thought I'd see or hear from him again," Akin said.

When Jones was chosen to be on the show, he asked specifically for Akin to be his coach. Jones stated in an

interview with the Daily Oklahoman that he had always wanted to be just like Lee Akin. Jones worked with other bull riders, but it was working with Akin that provided his strongest inspiration.

Akin said that it took him, Jones and the producer about 90 days to film the 30-minute program, but he was

only there for a total of 5 days in various places from Connecticut to California. Akin said that since the filming, he and Jones have stayed in

contact through e-mail.

"I felt honored that I was asked to be on the show and help Isaac follow his dream," Akin said.

Akin feels like his publicity is due to the fact that most people have a fixed negative stereotype of cowboys. He believes that the media is trying to show people that cowboys can be successful and goal oriented.

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Sophomore Jill Powell practices applying duct tape in the case of an emergency.

## How to save lives...

Southwestern adopts the duct tape and plastic covering approach to terrorism readiness

By KENDRA KIDD  
Features Editor

If you, your family, and friends were under attack what could you do to protect yourself?

A large number of warnings issued by the FBI have made it clear to the American public that terrorist attacks on U.S. soil could be unavoidable.

You and your loved ones are vulnerable, however you are not helpless. Southwestern has taken steps to insure your safety while here at school.

Don Groth, Director of Public safety said, "There has been a crisis management plan in place for years, it is being revised to include terrorism."

"It is not a terrorism policy, it is an emergency plan for weather, natural disasters and any man made emergency that may occur," Groth said. "It has not been approved by the administration but I expect it to be approved in a very timely manner."

If you find yourself at school you can rest assured plans are being made to keep you safe. However, if you find yourself at home there are things you can do to insure your safety.

The Department of Homeland Security and terrorist experts suggest keeping an emergency kit on hand.

The kit should include the following items. Three days worth of non perishable food and water, flashlights, a battery powered radio, extra batteries, blankets, a first-aid kit, medicinal supplies, a manual can opener, duct tape and plastic sheeting to seal a room in case of chemical or biological attacks.

Many skeptics do not believe that supplies such as duct tape and plastic can protect your life during a chemical or biological attack. However, the Department of Homeland Security has stuck to this position, stating a study of protective materials proves duct tape and plastic will help in a crisis situation.

Will these steps really save your life? It is unknown, however, these are the steps being suggested by the government to help protect you and your family.

## Wellness center breaks ground

By ZACH SULLIVAN  
Staff Reporter

Plans for construction of the new wellness center are starting to finally take focus. Ground will be broken on construction sometime in the fall of 2003. The wellness center will be located at what is currently the baseball field.

The wellness center is to consist of three phases upon total completion. Phase one will contain the main portion of the wellness center, which will occupy some 47,000 square feet. It will house three basketball courts, a rock climbing facility, a health spa, a locker room, and a gym.

the intramural directors.

The second floor of phase one will have an indoor track for walking or running, as well as work out equipment such as stair stepping machines and treadmills.

The estimated cost of phase one is \$5 million. Funding for this project will come from several different sources such as tax exempt revenue bonds, but the portion of funding that most students might be interested in is the part that they are already paying. Each student enrolled at Southwestern pays a facility fee of \$5 per credit hour.

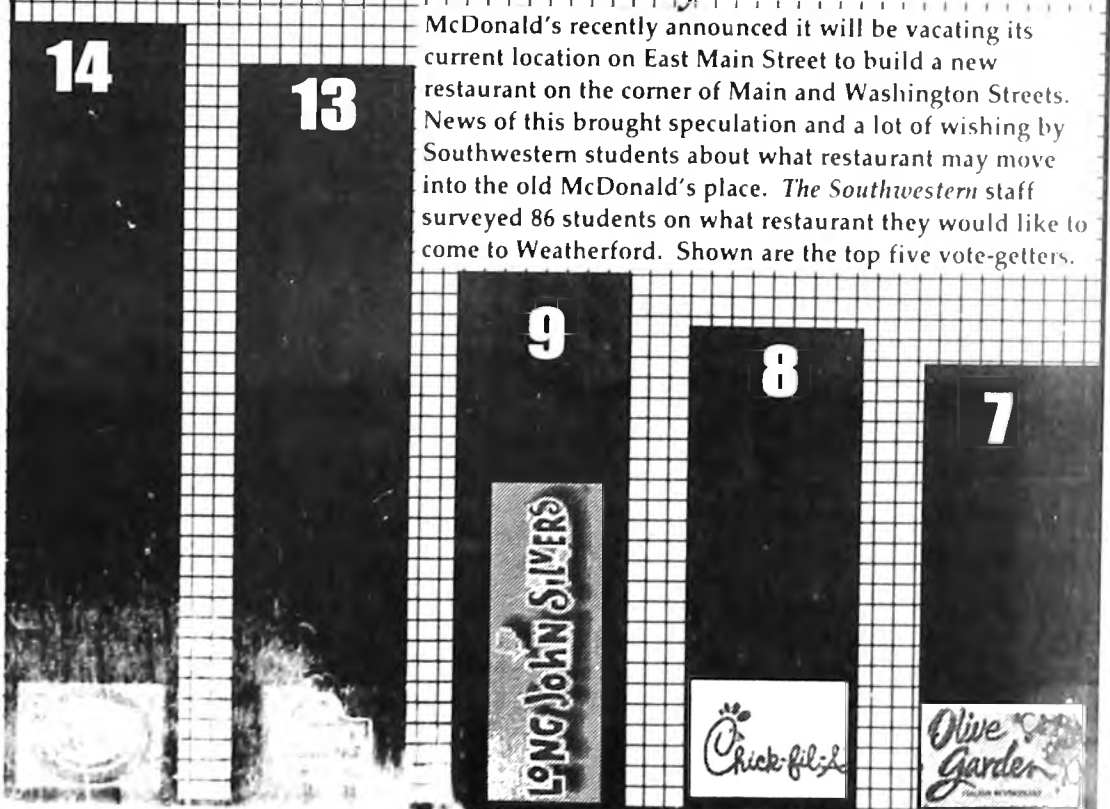
student facility fee has paid for most of the preconstruction fees, such as architectural diagrams.

When asked how long plans for the new wellness center had been in the works, Vice President for Administration and Finance Tom Fagan said it was brought up by students.

"When we were talking about renovating the student union, students said 'how do we get a wellness center out of it. This is what we've been able to come up with,'" Fagan said.

Students can look for the wellness center to open sometime within the next year. The center will be a part of the student union.

## The restaurant of choice



McDonald's recently announced it will be vacating its current location on East Main Street to build a new restaurant on the corner of Main and Washington Streets. News of this brought speculation and a lot of wishing by Southwestern students about what restaurant may move into the old McDonald's place. The Southwestern staff surveyed 86 students on what restaurant they would like to come to Weatherford. Shown are the top five vote-getters.



## Dropping classes

*Does it equal financial aid death?*

By THOMAS M. RATLIFF, MBA  
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

Well, not exactly death, but it isn't good. Financial aid eligibility is based on your enrollment as of the census date. That's the tenth day of class in fall and spring semesters or the fifth day for summer. Dropping some of your classes after that date does not immediately affect your aid. No money is usually required to be paid back unless you do a complete withdrawal or switch a class to an audit. It does affect your cumulative Satisfactory Academic Progress pass rate though.

Every SWOSU student has to pass 66% of all the hours they enroll in to stay eligible for federal aid. Dropping too many classes will cause you to be below this mark and get you into financial aid probation or suspension. Any class started, but not finished with an A, B, C, D or S is counted against this pass rate. So dropping classes stings your future aid eligibility.

Complete withdrawals during the first 60% of a semester requires an immediate repayment of federal aid received. This sum usually is in the hundreds, if not thousands of dollars. It is based upon the idea that financial aid is meant to help you pay for a whole semester. If you don't attend part of the term, the government feels you don't need the aid for that part. This federal policy is called the Return to Title IV Aid. If you have to do a complete withdrawal after 60% of the term has passed, no immediate repayment is required.

Changing a class to an audit after the census date can be very expensive as well. Students cannot receive aid for audited classes. So when a class is changed to an audit, the Student Financial Services Office has to recalculate your aid for that semester based on the number of credit hours attempted not including the audited class. A drop in enrollment status below full-time can cause a billing for Pell Grant and/or OTAG funds. If the enrollment after the audit change is less than half-time, immediate repayment of all other federal aid including loans would be required.

Students also have to maintain specific grade point averages while in school and have quantitative limits on the number of hours they can attempt before completing a degree to receive aid. The full description of the SWOSU Satisfactory Academic Progress policy can be seen on our web site at <http://www.swosu.edu/depts/finaid/sap.htm>.

## Akins

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Once a part of the Southwestern rodeo team, now a member of the PBR, Akin says that he is grateful to Doc Mitchell, former Southwestern rodeo coach, for taking him under his wing.

"I came to Southwestern after Doc Mitchell recruited me from the high school rodeo finals in 1994. The minute I arrived in Weatherford, I knew this was where I was supposed to be," Akin said. "Doc was like a father to me throughout the years. He always took care of me."

Akin recently bought a house in the Weatherford area and wishes to start raising some bucking stock, but for now his main goal is to concentrate on the PBR and see how far it will take him.

## Bulldog Bucks



### FERN BROWN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship program was created to provide financial assistance for the education of students who have demonstrated above average aptitude for college and university work and who, in the absence of aid from this scholarship, might be unable financially to pursue a college or university education. Applicants must be a continuing student or be admissible to a four-year college or university in the state of Oklahoma, demonstrate above average aptitude for college work and need financial assistance to pursue a college education. S.W.O.S.U. may submit ONE applicant for the scholarship competition. Completed applications must be submitted to the Office of Student Financial Services by April 1, 2003 for consideration and completion of the application process.

### OKLAHOMA TUITION AID GRANT

Oklahoma residents are encouraged to complete their 2003-2004 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) this month, but definitely before the state's April 30, 2003 priority deadline. To be considered for this state grant (OTAG) your application must be submitted as early as possible. Apply free over the internet at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Many students are OTAG eligible, but annually miss out on receiving this funding due to late application submission. Don't wait. The maximum amount of the grant is \$1000 per school year.

### OKLAHOMA CITY RETAILERS FOUNDATION

Trustees of the Oklahoma City Retailers Foundation Affiliated Fund are pleased to provide a scholarship program which encourages commitment to a career in the retail or retail financial services industry. Applicants must be an Oklahoma resident, have earned a minimum of 30 college credit hours, have an overall 2.0 g.p.a., and have a minimum of 3 months full-time employment in the retail industry. The deadline is May 1, 2003. There will be a total of 8 awards of \$3,000.

Applications and additional scholarship information is available in the Office of Student Financial Services, Wafford Building, Room 224.

## Survey

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can pay it on a credit card, which has a higher interest than a student loan.

"Students use their credit cards and end up paying eight or nine times what they originally intended to pay because credit cards can have interest rates higher than 18 percent," said Woods.

The national average of debt for college students is \$24,000, according to the U.S. News and World Reports. Southwestern ranks as one of the top schools with a low average debt. Southwestern stands at \$9,000.

"Oklahomans are hard working people and do not want to be in debt when they get out of college," Woods said.

A few students agree that credit cards can be easily misused.

"College students are broke. When they have

money in their hands, it goes like that," said Gerry Parker, freshman music therapy major from Oklahoma City.

"A lot of college students need money. If parents live far away, a credit card is an easy way to get cash," said Sheria Cole, a sophomore physical therapy major from Watonga.

The question becomes, should students have access to credit cards?

"Credit cards should not be restricted from students. Some students could use them to their advantage as well as their disadvantage," said Rebecca Muster, a junior accounting major from Amarillo, Texas.

The names of the students who participated in the survey were put into a drawing for a \$200 scholarship. Derek Dennis, a professional pharmacy major from Yukon, won.

## SGA CORNER

### Weekly feature of Student Government happenings

#### SWOSU palooza

The SWOSU palooza committee meetings are Mondays at 9p.m. at the SGA house. These meetings are open to all students. The committee members are also selling Krispy Kreme cards. Anyone interested in purchasing one should contact any committee member.

#### Bands Wanted

Any band interested in playing at SWOSU Palooza should contact SGA at 774-0615. The last day to turn in a C or tape will be Friday, March 14. Turn demos in at the SGA house

#### The Big Event

The Big Event is scheduled for March 29th. This will be a school-wide community service day and all students and organizations are encouraged to attend. Applications for organizations are now available in the SGA house. For more information, contact Stephanie Brandt at 774-0615. Any organization that participates in The Big Event will receive free booth space at SWOSU Palooza.

#### DJ's Wanted

DJ's are wanted to perform at SWOSU palooza. The DJ's will perform between bands to keep the crowd going. Any aspiring DJ's should contact SGA at 774-0615.

By Amber Esada, senate secretary

## Speaking Out

## In the Dark

With turmoil going on in our nation recently, particularly with talk of impending war, the staff of *The Southwestern* has decided to voice concern over how the media relay's our news coverage. As students of the media profession, we find ourselves critics to the American media for what we hope won't be apparent as we pursue our own careers. The coverage given over possible war with Iraq as an example, such as 'The Showdown with Iraq' on CNN, leads listeners astray with one-sided statements and coverage.

With any presidential administration it seems that the press will favor the office, this is a given. Remember the term 'the liberal media'? Long time no hear. We hear what is in the best interest of those who supply the news. Was it going to hurt Clinton's administration to hear of his personal affairs, not likely? We heard about it non-stop. It was the same satisfaction that get from gossip. It certainly didn't damage things that matter, like important legislation or foreign policy. The same goes for Bush. He even uses it to his advantage by looking more personable if he jabs fun at his underage drinking daughters.

Often one wonders how the powers that be get away with this. It seems that the press must act this way in order to keep reliable sources and in unfortunate cases, save jobs as well. As any employee, you do what you are told. Don't bother to ask questions or you might risk a source or possible career.

However, this hasn't always been the case in America. It seems this has become more apparent over the last 30 years due to the domination of big corporate owned news agencies. This includes AOL/Time Warner, MSNBC, etc.

During a recent visit to campus, the discussion titled, "What the Press doesn't tell you," Dr. Peter Philips estimated that 30 years ago 108 corporations owned the nation's top news agencies. Compare that to the present, where close to only 11 corporations own our top trusted news sources. Keeping in mind if it continues, in 20 years there should be only 3 companies owning every aspect of the media, radio, TV and print. (Note: Dr. Philip's "Project Censored" tape can be located in the Al Harris library)

We live in a unique and great society, at the same time we also live in a much more brutal one that we never hear of. We are told how to think by what we watch. Most can attest to that. This certainly becomes reminiscent of a certain famous George Orwell novel, where government and press are fused into one.

How do we as Americans know what to rely on for accurate news with huge corporations running the show with even higher bosses to answer to? It is a nasty cycle that can't be pointed in any one direction. At this point, human instincts are to blame. It happens to insure self-preservation.

We are the one's left to decipher what is slanted and to dig up the facts on our own. This gives us the responsibility of our own opinions, something that requires effort of our part.

When hunting for world, national and local news, look everywhere for the facts. Search outside the big name networks. Look into more websites, independent TV and radio outlets; some popular ones include The New York Times website and NPR radio and web sources, as well as Newsweek and US News and World Report magazines. Keep your ears open too. Listen to how things are worded. One may not be able to realize why something is slanted until they recognize how things are worded or asked, such as 'The Showdown with Iraq'. This statement alone implies that America is in a Clint Eastwood movie with Iraq. With the implication that whoever is the last to back down wins the duel. Duels only lose one life, not millions. As if war is that easily solved.

Also listen to how reporters ask questions. Are they asking what's really important by considering all sides, or are they asking in the best interest of the source?

Look at what's on the front page of your paper. Are the stories being covered answer all possible questions?

Certain regulations imposed by the FCC might help too. Should we as media be required to give equal coverage to both sides? Look into how other media is run such as the BBC. Try to compare why some reporting styles work and others don't. The answer is in the best interest of those who are told.

These are a few questions to ask when going home tonight to catch the news. It is ultimately up to you to decide what you feel is important and not allowing others to decide for you. Particularly when it's your life at stake.

-Editorial Board

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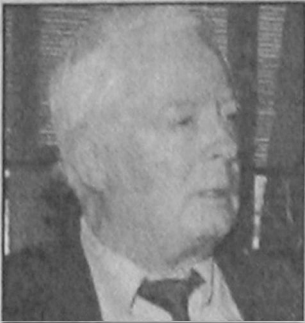
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# Technology and tuition tops list of new Chancellor

By Amber Esada  
Staff Reporter

Last Friday, Chancellor Paul Riser visited Southwestern to meet with students and discuss the concerns for higher education in Oklahoma. Several students, including the Executive Council for SGA, were invited to ask Riser questions and talk with him about issues on our campus.



Paul Riser

Riser, a Blackwell native, has served at many universities, including University of Oklahoma and Oregon University, before returning to Oklahoma to serve as Chancellor in January of this year. The intellectual challenges were the main concern of Riser. He feels it is important to be intellectually challenged in the

classroom. Most of the attending students said they felt that Southwestern offered challenging courses. Also discussed was the importance of being able to compete in technology. Many students told him they felt the technology on campus could be better. They also fear that budget cuts could affect our technology and the ability to keep up with competitors. Another topic was the Oklahoma lottery. Riser explained that although the lottery was voted down, it was not meant to benefit higher

education. The money was going to be used more for secondary education. A new bill was also mentioned. It will be presented to legislators allowing universities to set their own tuition increases. Currently, legislators set the cap for all universities. Riser feels this bill is important because better decisions can be made at the university on how much money will be needed. He said the bill will probably be passed. "That process will be in place next year if the bill passes," Riser said.



Joyce Teghtmeyer helps a student with enrollment. Teghtmeyer aids students everyday in the Registrar's office.

# Early enrollment allowed for incoming freshman

By Michael Bergin  
Staff Reporter

High school seniors visited Southwestern on Feb. 28 for a fall enrollment session, days before many current students were allowed to enroll. According to Assistant to the Associate Provost Tamra Misak, though, this session was approved by the Associate Provost for Academic and Student Affairs as well as the Council of Deans and will not limit current students' enrollment options. "If it would have affected our current students, we wouldn't have done it," Misak said. Misak said that, by design, only 22 high school seniors came to the session. Also, many freshman have already enrolled if they work on campus or are members of athletic teams. This small number of students is not expected to limit current students any more than if 22 extra seniors or employees enrolled on the first day. There will be many general education courses available in the fall, which are what most freshman students choose to enroll in, anyway, and they should accommodate a large number of students. According to Misak, the periodically held freshmen enrollment sessions are designed to provide focused attention to a small number of students, which is different from the larger enrollment sessions in years past. Misak says this is a service that Southwestern is proud to offer, as expressed in the new marketing slogan, "The focus is on you." If a student does experience difficulties in mapping their fall schedules because of high school seniors who enrolled on Feb. 28, they are encouraged to see Tamra Misak in the Burton House for help. She also welcomes any comments, suggestions, and questions about the enrollment process.

# Theatre department earns prestigious KACTF honors

By Jesse Sierra  
Staff Reporter

For students participating in drama, there is almost no higher honor than to attend the regional KACTF theater competition. Southwestern had the privilege of sending 16 students, and winning several awards. This week long event was held in Dallas, TX from Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> to Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>. KACTF helps promote theater within 8 regions across the United States. Southwestern, which is part of region 6, had 7 of its students recognized in their particular field. In the field of sound design, senior Jaciel Roewe has won the award for two years in a row. Last year she won both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. This year it was her sound design for *Fuddy Meers* that set the standard. She now has a chance to go to Washington D.C. for a shot at nationals. Looking ahead, Roewe wishes to go along with music as a career. "I would love to work as a studio musician in a recording studio, it's my ultimate goal." Fellow senior Chantry Banks was among 16 people, narrowed down from 156 nominees, who was named as an Irene Ryan finalist. Irene Ryans are given to those who excel in acting. This is Bank's 3<sup>rd</sup> year as a nominee and 2<sup>nd</sup> as a finalist. His future plans with acting are to move east, possibly to Chicago or New York. "I don't want to wait around. I want to see if I can do it," said Banks. Senior Matthew Terry walked away with the graphic design award. Terry wishes to use an accounting degree in graduate school for theater management. "Theater is my passion," said Terry. "It's what I always wanted to do."



Students rehearse script lines during rehearsal.

Senior theater major Natalie Coe made it to the semifinal round of the Irene Ryan competition. Coe made it to the finals her freshman year and feels that making it to the semifinals was a great way to end her college career. Of her acting Coe said, "I feel like this is a God given talent that I have to follow through." Other students recognized for their efforts were Jason Henderson, Terry Chance and Jessica Salmans. Henderson won the alternate graphic design award, Chance won alternate for make-up design and Salmans won the alternate award for property design. Speaking of her award Salmans said, "It was really exciting for me. Typically a first time designer doesn't win anything." Capping it off was Southwestern theater instructor, Steve Strickler, who won the Bronze Medallion for Service. Strickler had been a regional KACTF board member for 5 years and accepting the award represented his last official duty. "It'll be nice to have that part of my life back," said Strickler. "But I will miss the camaraderie I had and the theater I got to see."

# Degree checks a must for all

By Tara Taylor  
Staff Reporter

The dream of graduating draws nearer each semester for students, but how are they supposed to know if they're on track? A degree check shows students all they need to know about the classes they have completed and the hours that remain to be taken. A degree check reviews general education hours, major classes, minor credits if they are required and the

upper credit classes taken. It's an official check of what students have left in order to graduate. "Everyone needs to get a degree check when they're a junior," said Joyce Teghtmeyer, graduation clerk. To get a degree check, a student needs to go to the Registrar's Office in the Administration Building and visit with Teghtmeyer. The only information required is name, social security number, major, minor and address.

It takes approximately two weeks to complete a degree check, especially at busy times. When it's completed, it will be mailed to the address provided. "It's important to get a degree check so you know where you are on your graduation plan," Teghtmeyer said. When students receive the degree check, they should schedule a visit with their advisor. This way they can enroll in the required classes and graduate on time.

# OERB turns oil into fuel for learning

By Traci Hoffman  
News Reporter

For most Southwestern students, the oil rigs dotting the landscape are part of Oklahoma's economy. For students majoring in education, however, oil exploration will be a teaching tool, thanks to the Oklahoma Energy Board. The OERB was created by the State Legislature in 1993 and is paid for by oil companies and royalty owners through a gross production tax. Some of the funds are pumped back into education. According to the OERB website, "Oklahoma Tax Commission statistics prove the oil and natural gas industry generated \$50 million statewide from gross production taxes to construct school buildings last fiscal year." Royalty owner Newley Hutchison from Seiling was unaware that the OERB funded any education at all. "Well that's pretty neat," he said. "It's good to see the bigger companies giving back to the people of Oklahoma." Energy education programs funded by the OERB include "Fossils to Fuel," a hands-on, six-week program for elementary students. Teachers first attend free workshops offered by the OERB, where they learn to use the teacher's guide and activities kit. The OERB reimburses school districts for

substitute pay while the teacher is gone. If the workshop is on Saturday, then the teacher receives \$25 for attending. A workshop will be hosted by Clinton High School on March 29. Linda Thomas, from the administrative office at Clinton High School said the school is excited to be host. "We are very familiar with the Fossils to Fuel program and are ready to host the workshop. Teachers who have participated in the past like the way it integrates with their classes," Thomas said. The activity kit includes all the materials needed for the hands-on learning part of the program. "We like the way it makes science interactive with the students," Thomas said. Anadarko Middle School participated in the Fossils to Fuel program in the summer of 2002. "It's excellent. It's a wonderful, wonderful program," said Anadarko teacher Deb Loveless. Hinton Elementary fourth grade teacher Rae Ann Goddard used the Fossils to Fuel program in science already this year and is preparing to study it in Social Studies as well. "They give you so much stuff, it's wonderful," Goddard said. Goddard said one activity her class enjoyed the most was where they took gummy worms and laid them on a

piece of bread, and compressed them with an encyclopedia. This simulates sedimentary rock pressurized with heat. Then the students stuck straws through the bread, simulating drilling for oil, where they tried to get a piece of the gummy worm. "I think the program is excellent. It's well-organized and all the supplies are there," Goddard said. The OERB also funds "Petro Active," a six-week program for middle school students. This is a guest speaker program where professionals explain the importance of the petroleum industry using tools like rocks, fossils, drill bits, and an oil field safety video. Also new to the energy education program is Xploration.com, a website that allows students to discover how oil and natural gas is formed, found, drilled, and used. After that students visit the game station where they can test themselves. Their high scores can be saved and submitted to the OERB for prizes. Through these programs funded by the OERB Oklahomans are learning the importance of the industry and changing their outlook on its effect on the environment. For more info on these programs, contact Sarah Weeks, OERB Energy Education coordinator at (405) 942-5323.

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## From the Mailbox



### Readers oppose school consolidation

Dear Editor:

In an article in the February 26 edition of *The Southwestern*, Jon Owens addressed the topic of small school consolidation. Unfortunately, there were many items that went unaddressed. A writer commented on the article in last week's paper, and we want to supplement his view. The plight of our education system is of key interest during the budget crunch our state is facing. However, there are other options available that would better serve the students of Oklahoma.

The emphasized issue seemed to be money; specifically the key funds seemingly wasted on superintendent salaries. The question concerning how Moore is able to manage a school district of 2300 students was compared to a county-wide system. There are two major differences in the two situations: land area and staff size. The Moore school district covers 159 square miles with its 28 schools, while Oklahoma counties average 908 square miles each. Twenty-two counties reach sizes of 1000 square miles or more. Also, Moore schools may only have one superintendent, but they have a hierarchy of personnel and an Advisory Council to assist him; staff absent in the small school system.

Owens mentioned that, "We need to keep class sizes down." Unfortunately, this is in direct contradiction with the plan he proposed. A county-wide school would bear the burden of many students.

He failed to mention the number of teachers that would lose their jobs if this plan were enacted. He failed to mention the number of Kindergarten students that would have to ride the bus over an hour just to get to school in the morning. He failed to mention the students that would quit extracurricular activities because home is too far away for them to actively participate. He failed to mention the increased class size that would evidently occur. He failed to mention the mileage costs incurred by long commutes for busses and teachers.

He did, however, mention that small towns would "wash up." "We don't have to hurt small town pride and close schools," was stated in the article. Again, this is not a valid statement with regard to the proposal. Schools provide the backbone for many small Oklahoma communities, and many towns do, in fact, "dry up" when the school is lost. A county-wide school system would perpetuate the demise of Oklahoma's small towns.

Finally, the quality of education provided by our small schools was attacked. Many of Southwestern's finest hail from these small schools. We don't feel that there is adequate research to make such degrading comments of the quality of education provided by our small schools.

In conclusion, we are aware that opinions were made to be expressed. However, we do feel that to adequately present an opinion, there must be facts to strengthen their validity.

Sincerely,  
Misty Williams  
Amanda Hammonds

## Campus and Weatherford Crime

Wednesday, March 5

-Narcotics 100 blk W University: Arrested Milton Mason, white B/M, DOB: 12/18/1945 of Clinton for Delivery of CDS X3, and possession of Marijuana  
-Larceny 700 blk E. Main: Report taken  
-Vandalism 700 blk N. Custer: Report taken on a vandalized vehicle  
-Warrant 1400 blk Lera: Arrested Olegario Rios Hernandez, W/M. DOB: 04/01/1961 of Clinton on a Custer County Warrant  
-Noise Disturbance 400 blk N. Indiana: Told to hold down

Thursday, March 6

-Drunk Driver in the 1400 blk of Airport Rd: unable to make contact  
-Noise Disturbance 200 blk E. Franklin: Told to hold down  
-Contact Subject at 1300 Blk Meadowlane: Arrested Colby Howerton of Weatherford for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Para. DOB 2/1/1982  
-Drunk Driver at 1000 E Main: No Report

Friday, March 7

-Larceny WPD: Report taken on a stolen wallet  
-Fight at the 1000 Blk E Main: No one wanted to press any charges and the fight broke up on it's own as the officers arrived

Saturday, March 8

-Civil Disturbance 800 blk E. Main: They were friends talking together, everything ok. Arrested Jami Wald DOB 5/26/1982 on a municipal warrant  
-Contact subject Daniel & Proctor: Magazine salesman told to quit until proper paperwork was filed  
-Traffic contact 7th & Davis: Arrested Joshua Everett Clinesmith for Driving under revocation  
-Noise Disturbance at 900 blk Delarice: Broke up party and gave a citation  
-Traffic Contact at 500 blk 8th: Arrested Ian Scott Griffin, W/M of Weatherford for Possession of Marijuana. DOB 6/26/84

compiled by  
Devin Huber



## "Perspectives"

JON OWENS

### Are we hearing the rest of the story?

In observing the press coverage on the recent war efforts, I have concluded that the media has not done a good job in establishing fair comment.

This is not to bash what I believe is the conservative media, but if you look at Oklahoma television news, it is becoming quite popular for the media to have commentaries at the end.

These commentaries, such as Kelly Ogle's "My two cents," are totally one-sided and give no real evidence to their existence of why they believe the way they do.

The bias bleeds into print coverage, too.

The first anti-war rally in Oklahoma City had over 1,000 people protesting the war. *The Daily Oklahoman* placed the story not on the front page, but several pages within the issue. The story was buried with text saying there was only 400 people at the rally, which is a contradiction of what the TV news coverage revealed.

Last week *The Daily Oklahoman* put the pro-war rally on the front page and said hundreds of people attended. What makes the smaller turnout at the pro-war rally more important than the larger anti-war rally? It was apparent who was more important by the placement on the front page for the pro-war rally.

In our last Panorama event, the guest speaker, Peter Phillips talked about how the corporate news media was being consolidated. There is a move within the FCC to deregulate and allow media sources to become monopoly corporations. This is dangerous, because if there is no competition with the news, there is no way for us to form an accurate opinion on how we feel about a reported situation.

According to Phillips, what was even more interesting was that the Pentagon brought in the ten largest media corporations and asked the media not to reveal certain facts. Phillips said they told sources such as CNN that if they did not show a link to Al Qaeda and the 9-11 attacks and meet other demands, they were not going to allow them coverage of the impending war.

The ratings proved to be the selling point for the coverage given by the media. Instead of trying to equally show both sides and the facts, sensationalism won out.

Another example lies in radio as well as TV. A company like Clear Channel, the nations largest radio network, goes out and sponsors pro-war rallies such as the Rally for America. Did we ever hear coverage from Clear Channel covering the anti-war side?

The airwaves are public control. There used to be a fair comment law, where if a station was to cover a controversial issue, they had to give equal time to the opposing side. I believe that maybe we should bring the law back into effect. Then and only then, maybe we can bring back the honest ethical and pioneering journalism, that this country used to have.

If the media sides with the government, who then will shed light on what really goes on with our leaders and make them answer for their actions? It is time that we hold the media accountable, and make them strive to cover news without bias.



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## Bulldog happenings

March 12-March 24

March 12- Softball SWOSU vs. Bacone 2pm (Home)

March 14- Softball SWOSU vs. Incarnate Word 2pm (Home)

Spring Break March 15-23

March 16- Baseball SWOSU vs. Keaney 1pm

March 21- SWOSU Softball Shootout (Home).

March 22- Baseball SWOSU vs. York 1:30 pm; Baseball SWOSU vs. SNU 4pm

March 23- Men's Golf at ECU; Women's Golf at East Texas

March 24- Softball SWOSU vs. UCO 2pm (Away)

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# Features

## Students take advantage of Spring break vacation

*Making the best with a little time off*

By Alex Jaquez  
Staff Reporter

Many students have made big plans for the upcoming Spring Break.

"I plan to make the best out of my break. I will be flying home to Houston, and I am looking forward to some relaxation time," said music education major, Rebecca Arnold.

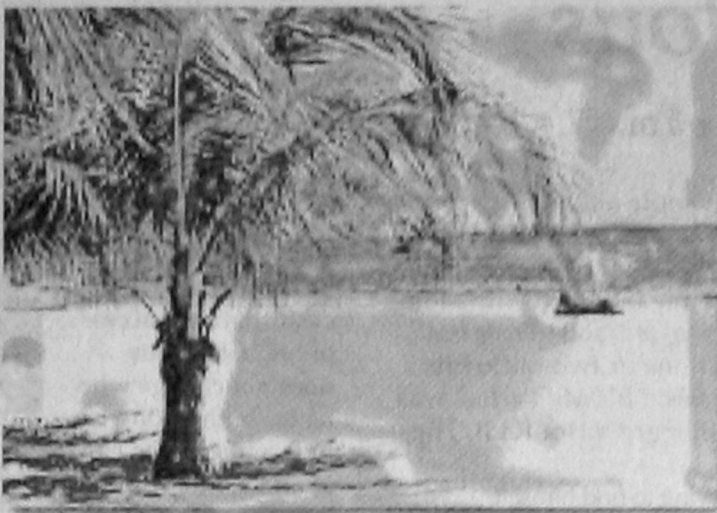
Rebecca Musser, R.A. at Oklahoma Hall, is also looking forward to some fun time.

"I will be doing many things during my break. I will be going all over Texas. First I will be going to Dallas. I'm going to be a bridesmaid at a wedding then to Amarillo, so I can play some golf and hopefully gain my sanity."

Jerry Parker, a resident from Oklahoma Hall, is going to take it easy on her break.

"I am going to OKC. I have a lot of family there, so I want to go and see what all I have missed out on."

Matt Pierce, a resident from Jefferson Hall, will be going home to Watonga.



"I am just ready to pig out. I want to go home, and have some good food waiting for me."

Olga Herrera, will be heading towards the cold weather for her break.

"I get to go to Madison, Wisconsin. I will be managing one of my uncles restaurants, while he goes on his vacation."

Two Southwestern students will volunteer their time during the break, to attend mission trips.

"I will be going to Houston for a few days, to

help educate some kids," said Jefferson R.A., Roy Evans.

"I get to go to Israel. I feel that this is a good time to go over there and do a good deed," said political science major, Lucia Kihien.

Brian George, resident of Jefferson Hall, says he hopes his break turns out for the best.

"I get to go to the dentist. I have been scheduled to get my wisdom teeth pulled out, and if I make it, I am going to try and see my friends from high school."

## Staff Spotlight

*Duncan Taylor*

### Master of culinary

By Jon Owens  
News Editor

Mastering in the culinary arts and running as the director of the Student Union, Duncan Taylor works hard on improving auxiliary life for the student body.

Taylor grew up in Edmond and Spencer, where he was active in basketball.

During high school he was an all-state basketball player.

His basketball career allowed him to go onto play as a guard for the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO).

"I love the creativity of the game of basketball. The way you can develop your own moves, and style as you play," Taylor said.

At UCO, Taylor received his degree in institutional food and nutrition management or the way he puts it a "dietitian."

"I had been working in the restaurants like Pistachios. It was an interest of mine with nutrition and bodybuilding. There is something about the creativity of the food."

After college Taylor went onto work for Red Lobster and later leased his own restaurant in Perry for 8 years.

"Running your own restaurant takes a lot of time. I was pulling 70-75 hour weeks and never seeing my kids. I had institutional fits."

This led Taylor to look into working for UCO as a food service director, and then becoming the assistant auxiliary director.

While attending college he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega.

After spending time at UCO, Taylor was offered director of the Student Union at Southwestern.

"This was a promotion and bigger money."

Taylor oversees the Student Union and its affairs with janitors, vending across campus, copying, food and ID services.

"I like it here. It has a hometown feel. The students and the administrators are good people."

This is not the end to Taylor's dreams.

"I would like to remodel the student union and improve the facilities. Put something in here like a Starbucks-cyber cafe and expand the meeting rooms. We have exciting plans that are really cool. When we get to do it students will really enjoy it."

"Eventually I would like to open my own restaurant."

Taylor has three kids, one who is attending Southwestern.

On his free time he enjoys Golf, drawing and drafting. The musical side of Taylor shows an interest in blues festivals and rock concerts.

"I just went to the Elton John and Billy Joel Concert. I like the guitar."

In the cooking arena Taylor shows master chefsmanship with his specialty being in French food, such as Cordon Bleu, which he studied under from famous chef John Vernon. Taylor takes a liking to Italian food as well.

"Italian is what I like to eat. Tomato pesto with basil and fresh tomato is the nature of the Gods," added Taylor.

Note: A picture was unavailable at press time.

## What are you doing for Spring Break?

"Work and maybe take a road trip somewhere!"

Devin Huber  
Sophomore  
El Reno

"I am moving into a new house with my daughter."

Rayna Merkley  
Senior  
Woodward

"Working."

Ryan Patterson  
Sophomore  
Burns Flat

"Skiing at Wolf Creek!"

Joy Ingle  
Junior  
Dover

I've cancelled mine to work, catch up on sleep and hang out with the FAM. Exciting, huh?"

Breanna Schneberger  
Junior  
Burns Flat

"I'm working and going to the city with some friends to stay in a motel and get pampered, since I can't get off long enough to take a big trip."

LeAnna Koph  
Junior  
Canton

"I'm going to Odessa, TX with my family to visit my best friend. I am excited, but just because I don't have class."

Amber Esada  
Senior  
Watonga

"Going clothes and puppy shopping."

Shelby Hlgdon  
Junior

"Possibly South Padre."

Cody Murray  
Junior  
Kingfisher

"Going to Ohio."

Craig Moore  
Junior  
Trenton, OH

"I'm going camping for four days with my husband and kids because it's the first chance this semester to get out of the house."

Traci Hoffman  
Sophomore  
Selling

"I'm going home to sleep and watch TV"

Adrienne Weaver  
Freshman  
Pauls Valley

"I'm going skiing at Wolf Creek with friends."

McKenzie Mol  
Junior  
Hydro

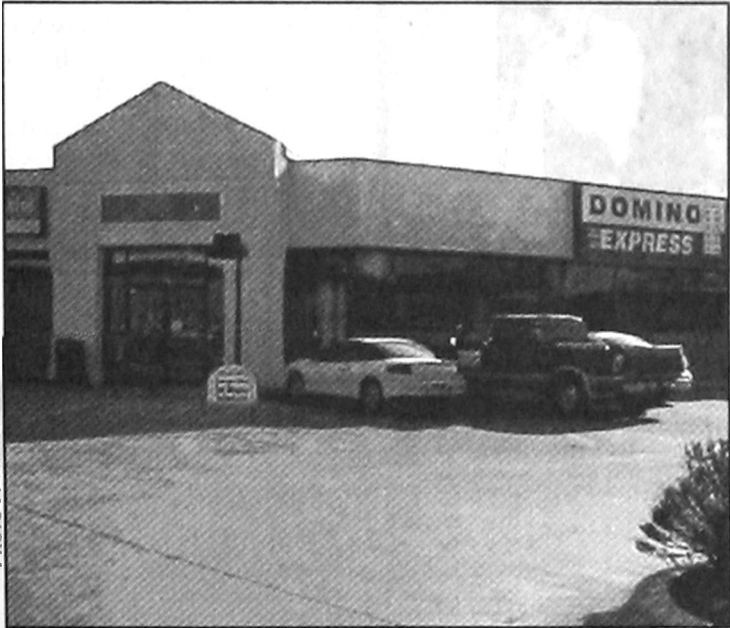
"I'm working."

Chasity Dixon  
Senior  
Canute

"Going home to see my parents in Lockney, TX."

Lexi Jones  
Junior  
Lockney, TX

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CD Review

## Fabulous

### Street Dreams

The release of Fabulous' sophomore album *Street Dreams* may be just that, a dream. *Street Dreams* is a follow up to his debut album *Ghetto Fabulous*.

*Ghetto Fabulous* was a solid album and filled with radio hits such as "Can't Deny it," "Young in," and "Trade it All."

*Street Dreams* may be good for one or two radio hits. The first single from *Street Dreams*, "It's My Party," was only at No. 35 on last weeks Billboard's Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Singles & Tracks chart.

On this album Fabulous is still trying to find himself.

Today's listeners expect creativity and maturity in a sophomore album. Those two things are lacking in *Street Dreams*.

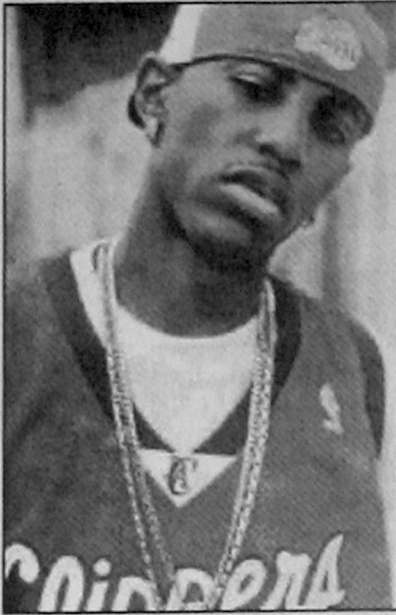
*Street Dreams* has many of the same producers as *Ghetto*

*Fabulous* such as DJ Clue, Timbaland, and The Neptunes.

For some reason it does not have the same affect this time around.

There is one song where Fabulous shows a little maturity, "Change you or Change Me." In this song Fabulous focuses on his success in the past year. He makes it clear that the success of his last album does not change who he is. In this song he puts a bug in the ear of all the fans, doubters and media. He points out the fact that maybe his success didn't change him it changed everyone else.

~Austin Newry



## Concert Review

### Canterbury Choral Society

Ahoy ye there mate as Canterbury Choral Society performs an evening of *Pirates to Pinafores: an Evening of Gilbert and Sullivan* at the Oklahoma City Civic Center under the direction of Constantina Tsolainou.

To begin the concert, Canterbury started with "H.M.S. Pinafore (or the Lass that loved a Sailor)."

The concept was choir with soloist dressed as different characters. Captain Concoran (Larry Lawson) has a rich, powerful voice. He was fantastic with showing his true Baritone nature.

Also in his song, we are introduced the first of Robin Noad's fine performances. His solos stood out for their crisp, clean diction. Later throughout the night, when he switched roles to play Major General in "The Pirates of Penzance," he was able to capture the affection of the audience with the dynamic speed of his singing. It is quite hard to sing at sonic speed and still keep the diction on track.

"Iolanthe" was well done although the comedic dancers, Celia and Leila (Michelle McGee Lamb and Shelly Coil) did not quite match up. On dancer played funny, while the other was in contrast as a straight-laced person and could have stood to be more in character.

"Trial by Jury" should be noted for the judge (Robin Noad) who had much energy, but had a little problem in his memorization of words. But he is easily forgiven for a lapse in memory with the workload that he had for this show.

There was a duet that stood out throughout the night and that is when Jack Point (Robin Noad) the Jester sings a love ballad to Elsie. The duet was quite beautiful and stood out from all the slow songs throughout the night.

"The Mikado" was cute with Yum Yum (Caroline Humphreys), Peep Bo (Michelle McGee-Lamb) and Pitti Sing (Kathy Sandler) singing "Three little maids from school are we." The cute Japanese costumes gave it a different touch to all the British references.

When thinking about water we can never forget "The Gondoliers." Marco (Don McDonald) and Giuseppe (James Hughes) made a dynamic duo and were well balanced. Their comedic interplay was well timed as well.

It was interesting to see a whole choir choreograph movements on risers to play the part of a chorus. It was a nice touch that added humor to the night.

The night was filled with dozens of soloists that pertained to several medleys or songs in dialogue. It was a fun night of pepped-up music and laughter. Canterbury now sets sail for its last concert of this season on May 3.

~Jon Owens



Dr. Sylvia Esjornson, associate professor in the SWOSU Chemistry and Physics Department, chats with Jim Waites, assistant to the president for institutional advancement, during a recent reception held to honor SWOSU principal investigators of grants, contracts and cooperative agreements during the 2002 year. Hosting the event were SWOSU President John Hays and the Office of Sponsored Programs.

## Book Review

### Chopping Spree

Diane Mott Davidson

Diane Mott Davidson's newest of her Culinary Mystery's is *Chopping Spree*.

*Chopping Spree* is filled with mystery as well as food. I liked this book because it is able to combine humor and suspense that leaves the reader wanting more.

If you ever pick up one of her books you won't want to put it down.

The book focuses on Goldy Schulz a Colorado caterer who has had more mystery in one week then any other person has in a single life time.

Her latest mystery takes places as her catering business is booming.

Her best friend Marla (who is also the ex-wife of Goldy's

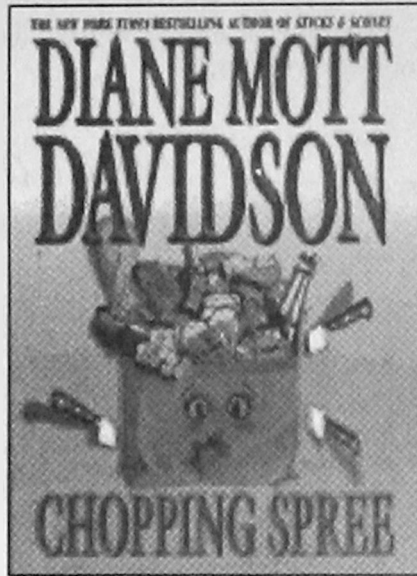
ex-husband) warns her that, "Success can kill you."

Goldy knows she needs to take a break but she will do it after her next booking, a cocktail party for the Westside Mall's Shoppers Club. The club is for wealthy shopaholics who spend at least a thousand dollars a week at the mall.

In a Culinary Mystery Diane Mott Davidson gives you the recipes for the different foods that Goldy makes. The 10 recipes include Sweethearts' Swedish Meatballs, Quiche Me Quick, and Diamond Lovers' Hot Crab Dip.

I highly recommend this book. It is the perfect tool to unwind from a stressful day, although it might make one very hungry from the extremely good details.

~Stuart Butler



## Movie Review

### OLD SCHOOL

Old School is not your typical tear jerking, thought provoking, soul searching movie. Actually it's none of those things. However, it is one of the most hilarious movies that has come out in a long time.

Old School centers around Mitch (Luke Wilson), who leaves his cheating wife and moves right across from a college campus. Mitch's friends Frank (Will Ferrell) and Beanie (Vince Vaughn) throw him an enormous house warming party which sets the mood for the rest of the movie.

Will Ferrell goes streaking, Mitch sleeps with his bosses daughter, and evil Dean Prichard (Jeremy Piven) declares Mitch's house school property. Dean Prichard hates Mitch

and his friends and tries to get him thrown out throughout the rest of the movie.

In a scheme to keep his house Mitch and company start a fraternity. Their fraternity is based the idea that they should of having nothing to do with the college or the community. What's left is nothing but fun.

The acting in this movie was pretty straightforward but one person that did steal the show was Will Ferrell. This is his first starring role since leaving Saturday Night and he is more hilarious than ever.

Vince Vaughn has been needing a good role for quite a while and this movie did it for him. His character is probably the most complex and Vaughn did a great job with it.

As for Luke Wilson, he always does a good job of playing the nice, normal guy.

Old School sets the standard for raucous college comedy. The writers did a good job of keeping the old jokes different and seemingly fresh.

It's the kind of movie that doesn't require much thought. For a college student, that is as good as it gets. For a comedy, I give this movie an A.

~Jesse Sierra



## Bulldog Bark

Compiled by Nina Kelso

Do you think the American media does a good job of informing the public on foreign affairs? (Do you think reports are reliable?)



"No, because they make up stuff to make articles longer, but with the war on Iraq they don't need more info, so I think it is a good source to be educated."

Mishla Prichard  
Sophomore  
Engineering  
Weatherford



"American media is filtered through American corporate interest, so I'd say it's reliable as long as it's in line with the 'corporate good'."

Mike Rodgers  
Junior  
English  
Chickasha



"I think they might be putting out too much information, as in regards to informing other countries of our military actions."

Jesse Sierra  
Junior  
Communication Arts  
Tipton



"I think as with any national media, it has a tendency to be biased."

Kenneth Tomilson  
Junior  
Theatre  
Altus

## Years ago at

### SWOSU...

by Jon Owens

Are these the best, strangest or calmest of times at Southwestern. Judge for yourself. Here's a look back at some headlines from *The Southwestern* this week in years past during this week.

Southwestern hold first high school wrestling tournament.

1924:

The Southwestern had a male fashion column.

1943:

Students build solar heat unit.

1978:

Southwestern Forensics beats the University of Oklahoma and captures state title.

1998:





Photo by Philip Busey



Bulldog junior, Josh Kilhoffer, anticipates an incoming ball during the home match against Mid-America Bible college on March 3. The bulldogs claimed a double victory against the OKC squad.

## SA-WING!

Junior Jason Looper swings and hits during the Mid-America game last week at home.

PHOTO BY PHILIP BUSEY



## Sports Briefs

### All-Conference Teams Announced

Richardson, TX - Southwestern Oklahoma State had five players receive post season honors for their play this season.

Kayla Horn received the Lone Star Conference freshman of the year honors. Horn averaged 10.8 points per game and led the team in rebounding with 6.2 rebounds per game.

Ashlee Hamar was named to the Lone Star Conference second team. Roxie Camden, Paige Adams, and Amanda Burris received honorable mention honors.

Three members of the men's squad were also honored by the LSC. Semaj Johnson, Arturo Jones and Irving Roland were named honorable mention all-conference.

## Bulldogs sweep Mid-America in double

### Baseball claims two victory's

By STEPHEN GLOVER  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Southwestern Bulldog baseball team won a double header against Mid-American Bible College March 3 at Rankin Williams Field.

The first game the Bulldogs won 12-0 and the second game 9-8.

In the first game, there were six home runs setting a new Southwestern record. The previous record was four.

Cory Givens blasted two out of the park, while Jason Looper did the same.

Givens went 3-3 with 2 runs and 5 RBI's.

Looper went 2-2 with 3 runs and 2 RBI's.

Josh Raney and Josh Kilhoffer each smacked one out apiece.

Raney went 3-3 with 2 runs and 2 RBI's.

Kilhoffer went 1-1 with 2 runs and 1 RBI.

Jay McClure got the nod on the mound and went with distance for the Bulldogs.

McClure pitched 5 innings, giving up 2 hits, 2 walks and striking out 6.

The game was run ruled after 5 innings.

In the second game, the Bulldogs rallied from behind and scored 3 runs in the bottom of the seventh to come back and win the game.

Raney went 3-2 with 2 runs, 2 RBI's and 1 home run.

Kilhoffer went 4-2 with 3 RBI's. Looper went 1-1 with 2 runs and 2 RBI's.

Givens went 2-1 with 2 runs, 1 RBI and 1 home run. Givens also stole 2 bases.

Jake Dillard got the nod on the mound for the Bulldogs, pitching 3 innings giving up 2 hits, 3 runs, 3 walks and striking out 4.

Josh Williams pitched 1 inning, giving up 2 hits, 2 runs, 2 walks and striking out 2.

Lyndon Harms pitched 2 innings, giving up 3 hits, 3 runs and striking out 3.

Chad Despaigne pitched 1 inning, giving up 1 walk.

## Lady Bulldogs make playoffs, beat top ranked San Angelo

By JON MATTHEWS  
STAFF REPORTER

After 362 miles of traveling and 14 different lead changes the Lady Bulldogs were able to upset the Angelo State Rambelles in the first round of the Lone Star Conference playoffs at San Angelo, TX last Tuesday March 4.

The Lady Bulldogs were defeated early in the season by Angelo State 92-71. Southwestern was looking to prove that they were capable of defeating the Rambelles, who are ranked 11<sup>th</sup> in the

nation and first in the LSC.

At halftime Southwestern lead had grown to only two points, 24-22. Obviously this was no time for the Lady Bulldogs to get comfortable, as extending the lead seemed to be impossible. The Rambelles, who are 24-3 over all, have not been in a lot of close games. Where as the Lady Bulldogs seem to live and die on them.

The final score was no indication of how close the game really was. Southwestern was able to pull away in the final minute, due

to shooting 100 percent from the free throw line in the second half, going 19-21 for the entire game.

The Lady Bulldogs heated up in the second half shooting 60 percent from the field, finishing the night shooting 49 percent.

Southwestern had four girls in double figures. Kiki McClellan led all scorers, and finished the night with a double double, 19 points and 10 rebounds.

Amanda Burris finished the evening way above her season average with 17 points

and 5 rebounds.

Paige Adams and Ashlee Hamar both had 14 points, and combined for 10 rebounds. Kayla finished with 6 points and 3 rebounds.

A big asset to the Lady Bulldogs, who was statistically overlooked, was Roxi Camden. She only took one attempt at the basket. Camden, who plays point guard and runs the offense for the Lady Bulldogs, touches the ball every time down the court, and finished the night with no turnovers. Camden played the entire game and led the team with assists.

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### Made it to final four, fell to West Texas

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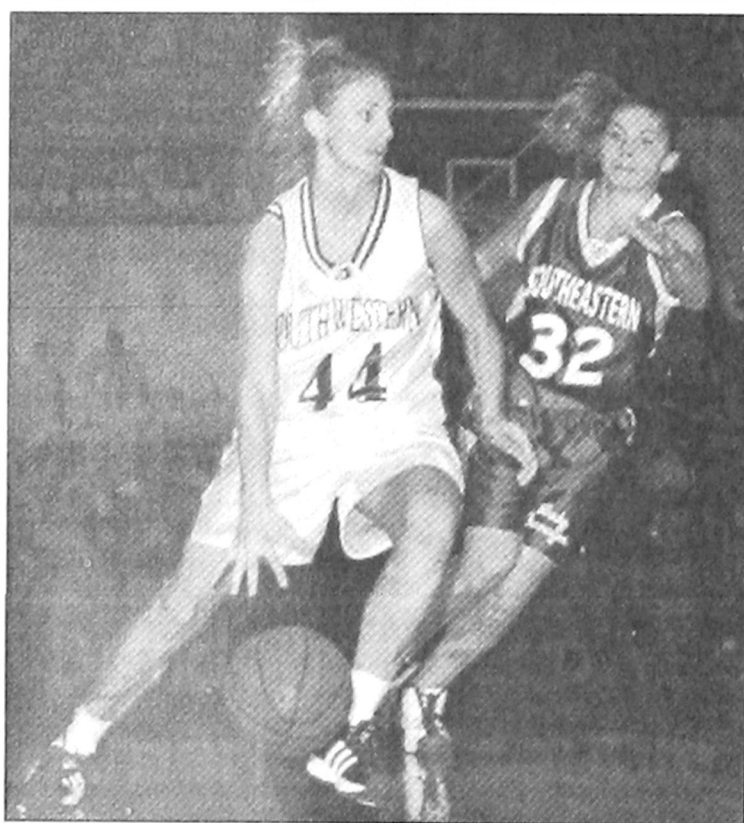
Tahlequah, OK - The Lady Bulldogs season ended on Friday in the semifinals of the Lone Star Conference Tournament. The Lady Bulldogs fell 89-71 to West Texas A&M.

Southwestern shot 45% from the field and 50% from behind the three-point line. WTAMU shot 51% from the field and 58% from behind the three-point line. The Lady

Bulldogs were outrebounded 34-31 in the contest.

Southwestern had three players end the game in double figures. Paige Adams knocked down 18 points to lead Southwestern in scoring. Ashlee Hamar and Amanda Burris recorded 15 points each. Kiki McClellan added nine points, six rebounds, and four blocks.

The Lady Bulldogs ended the season 12-17 overall.



Kayla Horn, 44, dribbles past a Southeastern player in recent action. The ladies defeated Southeastern and made it to the playoffs this year.

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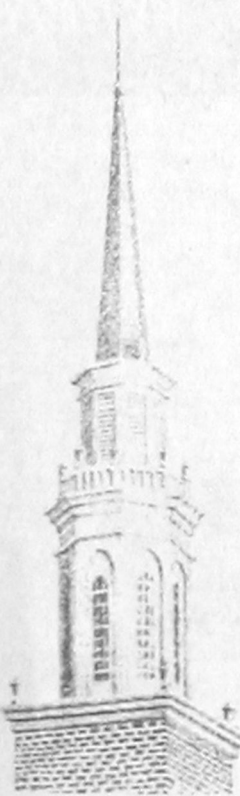
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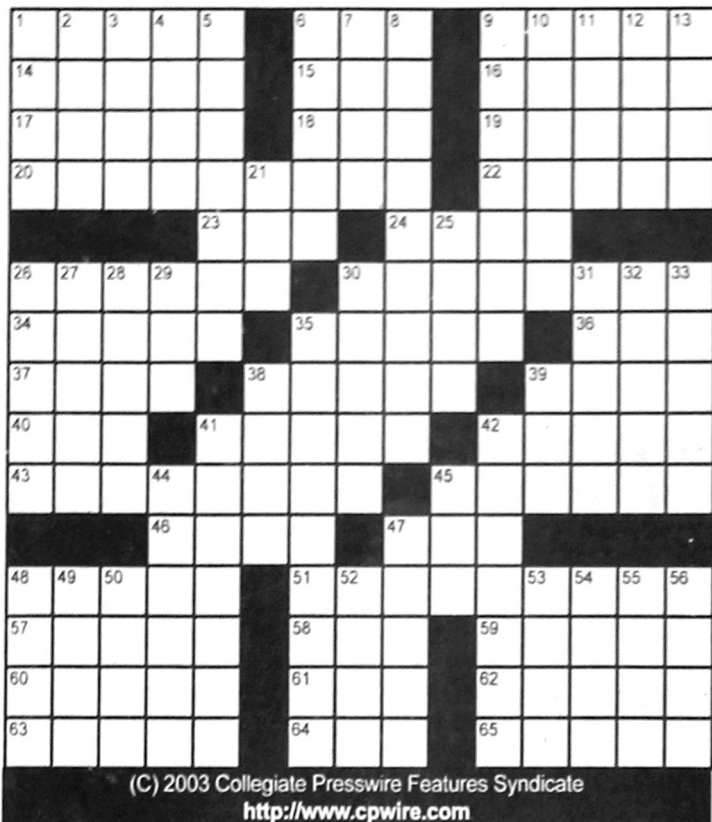
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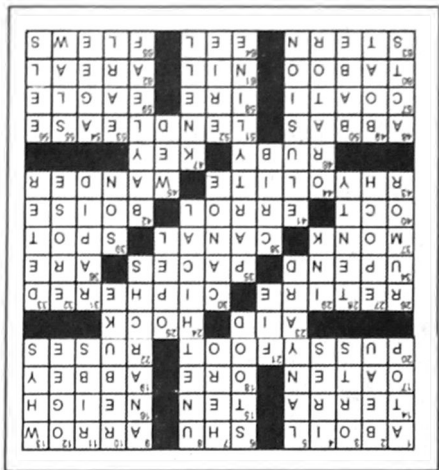
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- 20. Move cautiously
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- 23. Help
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- 26. Go to sleep
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- 39. "Out, damn \_\_\_!"
- 40. Fall mo.
- 41. Actor Flynn
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- 45. Room
- 46. Red gem
- 47. Answer sheet
- 48. God's
- 51. Allied goods transfer
- 57. Raccoon-like animal
- 58. Wrath
- 59. Golf score
- 60. Social prohibition
- 61. Nothing
- 62. Involving a certain space
- 63. Serious
- 64. Electric fish
- 65. Hound lips

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- 3. Scraps
- 4. Angers
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- 8. Immoral
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- 10. Admonish
- 11. Baby back, e.g.
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- 13. Causes
- 21. Yuck!
- 25. General Motors brand
- 26. Hearsay
- 27. Period
- 28. Twenty minus "u"
- 29. Writing liquid
- 30. Boat
- 31. Fast
- 32. Irregularly notched
- 33. Discourage
- 35. Political group's policy
- 38. Home
- 39. Male child
- 41. Evasion
- 42. Herb
- 44. Public speaker
- 45. Marry
- 47. Toll
- 48. Play sections
- 49. Tug or love follower
- 50. Talking pig
- 52. Pennsylvania city
- 53. Nobleman
- 54. *A Death in the Family* author
- 55. "Cole" follower
- 56. Two of #64 across



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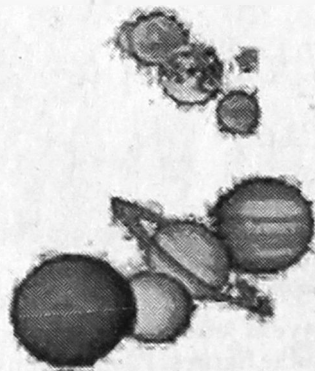
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Horoscopes

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March 12, 2003



**Aries-** Be patient — you still remember how. There's value in leisure and slow simmering. When you remember that you don't have to work so hard, there's no reason why you should keep pushing.

**Taurus-** Heroic action suits you, as long as it's heroism on your terms. Taurus begins the weekend as if he or she were stepping onto a movie set. Look for plenty of action and romance before it's all over.

**Gemini-** You thought that you'd be elsewhere by now, but the train still hasn't arrived. Use your current gifts instead of wasting them. Forward-thinking Geminis should make the best of all resources.

**Cancer-** The cameras and recorders are rolling, but everyone is still relaxed. You're among professionals, or maybe just hanging out with comfortable people. Be original and feel yourself grow.

**Leo-** If you leave to start something new, an unfinished project will follow you. Don't give the Stars any extra chances to irritate you. Wrap your loose ends in a neat package and go home satisfied.

**Virgo-** Your business is growing, or maybe something is changing. As long as you remain balanced and healthy, this should be exciting. Foreign experiences are a welcome break from domestic rhythms.

**Libra-** Libra approaches the line between gracious and greedy. The giver of your gift may not realize that you already have enough. Associates get to know you better by seeing how you handle an embarrassing situation.

**Scorpio-** Be forgiving. Don't condemn someone to stay in the box that you built. You'll defend your opinions, although this dialogue could also enrich you. Instead of grabbing the bull by the horns, hold its tail and follow.

**Sagittarius-** If you're too quick to leave, some observant individual will soon call you back. Sagittarius needs to accept greater responsibility. It's better to know now than to wonder later.

**Capricorn-** Investigators love concrete proof. Creators thrill at their contact with tangible materials. Right now it doesn't get much better for Capricorn. Put your whole body into whatever you do next.

**Aquarius-** You don't have to say yes to everything. Be nice to people whether or not you're close to them. This week's self-satisfaction could become next week's unrequited neediness.

**Pisces-** Come with a gift and leave with renewed confidence, a phone number or someone's heart. Charm flows naturally from Pisces these days. Rich, wholesome food tastes best at the end of a long week.

Zen Box

quote of the week

"A painting of a rice cake does not satisfy hunger."

~ Ancient saying

My little box...editor's selections taken from Zen Soup and The Little Zen Companion

Where is this spot on campus?



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